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Working Animal Support Building

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
Fort Belvoir North Area
Springfield, Virginia

United States Department of Defense, Department of the Army

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Project Information

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Delegated / consent / open / executive session: Delegated

NCPC Review Officer: J. Hinkle

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Project summary:

NGA has a K-9 explosive detection capability at its NGA Campus East (NCE) facility in Springfield, VA. NGA has one handler for each of its explosive detection dogs. Each handler takes his dog home at night. While at work, the dogs must be groomed and exercised daily, receive general and skill specific training, and be given food, water, and rest breaks. In addition, the dogs must receive veterinary care. The Working Animal Support Building (WASB) will be used for all of these requirements. The facility will also allow the handlers to maintain their qualifications in law enforcement/physical security by allowing the dogs to be left in the WASB while they attend meetings and conduct collateral security duties. The dogs will continue to be housed with their trainers at night.

The The Working Animal Support Building (WASB) site is approximately 0.21 acres and is located on Fort Belvoir North Area (FBNA), formerly known as the Engineering Proving Ground (EPG), within the campus of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA). The site is located to the south of the intersection of Barta Road and Heller Road, adjacent to the NGA Remote Inspection Facility (RIF).

The proposed WASB structure is approximately 688 square feet. The project includes a small addition to the site's sidewalk, new fencing to secure an exercise/training yard for the dogs. The structure's elevations are made of concrete blocks and are designed to complement the façades of the adjacent RIF; it is planned to have a standing seam metal roof. Utilities for the structure will be tied in those of the RIF.

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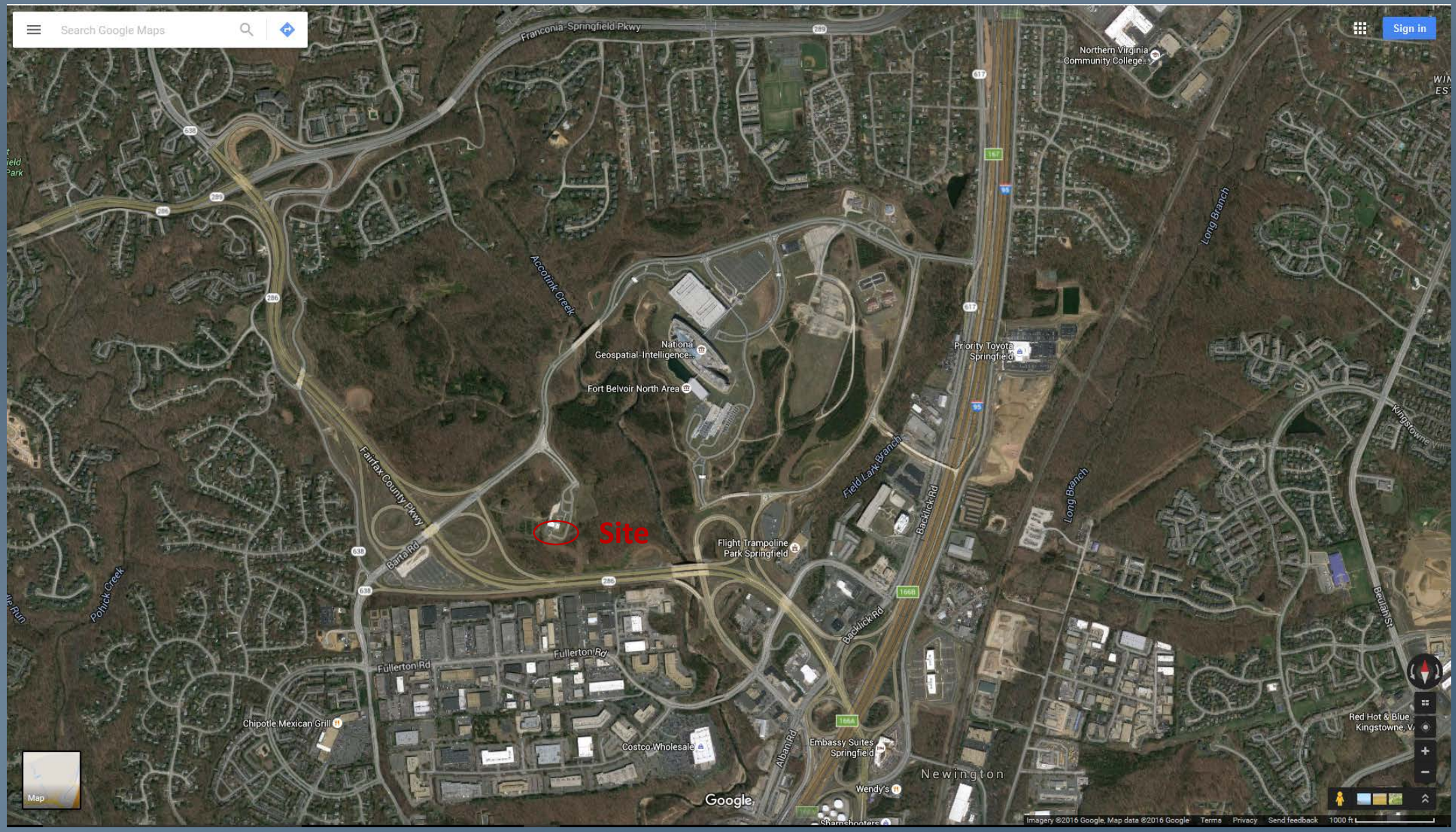
Site Location



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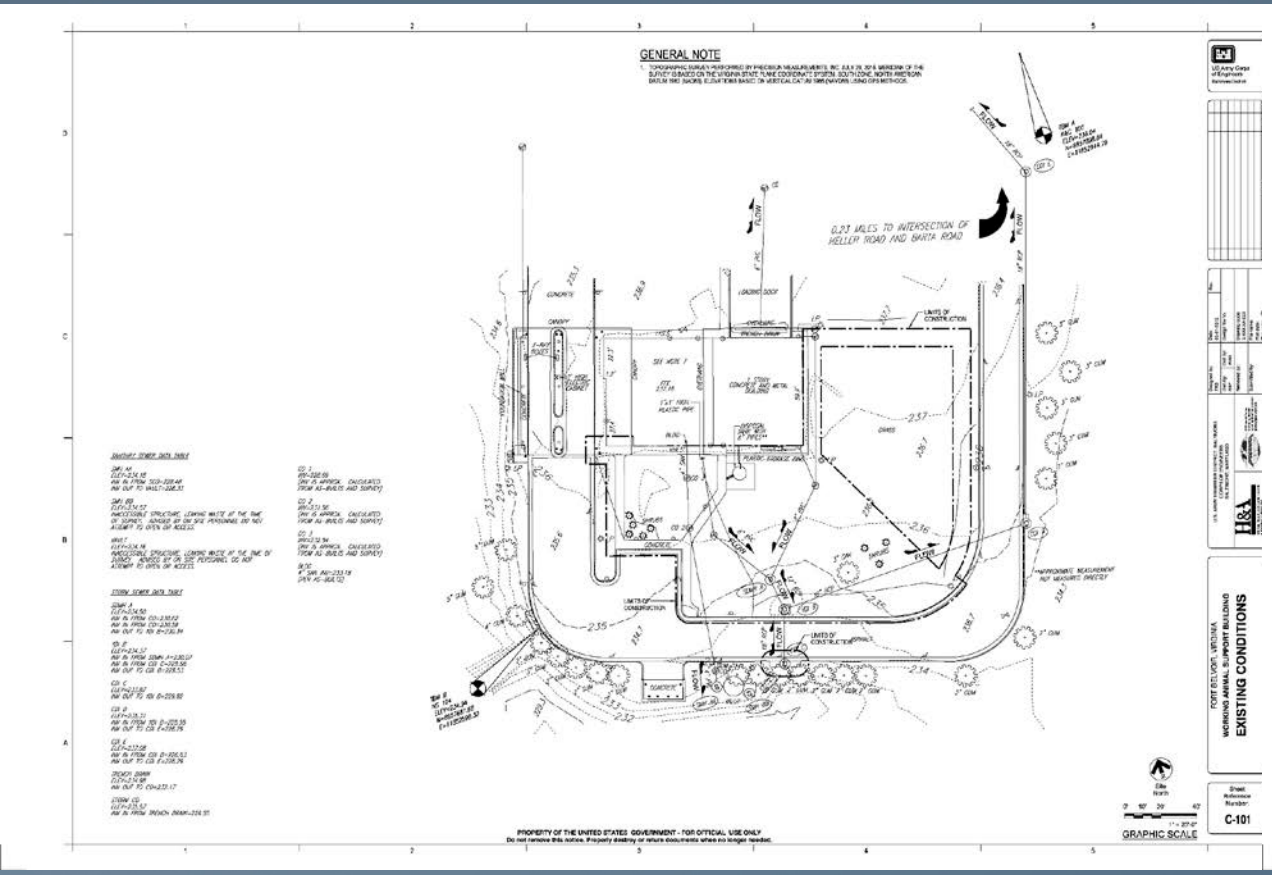

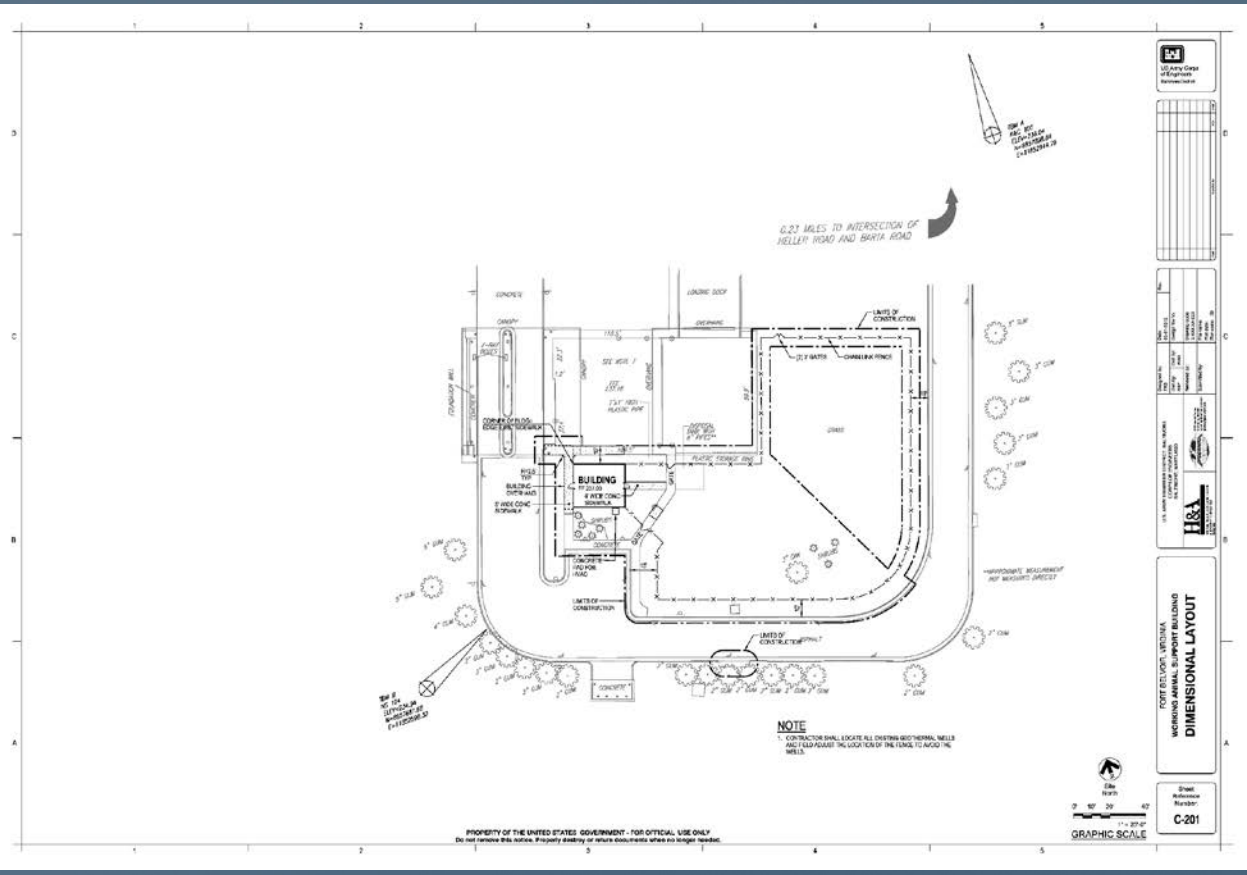

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